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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS §
FOR PARTITIONING DATA §
FOR STORAGE IN A DATABASE §

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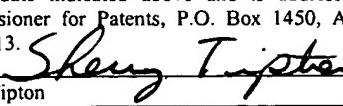
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In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2003, please consider the following remarks.

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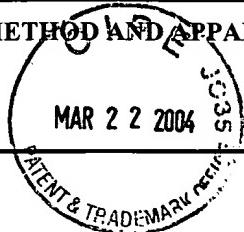
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